

The House Committee on Education offers the following substitute to HB 208:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

To amend Part 3 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to educational programs under the "Quality Basic Education Act," so as to provide for the inclusion of bilingual endorsements on high school transcripts; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Part 3 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to educational programs under the "Quality Basic Education Act," is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"20-2-151.3.

(a) No later than July 1, 2011, the State Board of Education shall establish requirements for the inclusion of bilingual endorsements on the high school transcripts of graduating seniors who receive a passing grade on an approved test to demonstrate bilingual skills.

(b) Local boards of education shall indicate that a student has received a bilingual endorsement on the transcript of any such student who has received a passing grade on a test approved by the State Board of Education pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section."

SECTION 2.

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.